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## UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL AND FEE SHEET

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 CFR §1.53(b)(2) is a continuation-in-part of prior Application No. 09/609,846, filed July 5, 2000.

Applicant (or identifier): BUDACH ET AL.

Title: SENSOR PLATFORM, APPARATUS INCORPORATING THE PLATFORM, AND PROCESS USING THE PLATFORM

Enclosed are:

1.  Specification (Including Claims and Abstract) - 58 pages
2.  Drawings - 10 sheets
3.  Declaration and Power of Attorney
  - a.  Newly executed (original or copy)
  - b.  Copy from a prior application (signed or with indication that original was signed)
    - i.  Deletion of Inventors  
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application
4.  Incorporation By Reference  
The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the Declaration and Power of Attorney is supplied under Box 3b, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.
5.  Microfiche Computer Program (appendix)
6.  Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission
  - Computer Readable Copy
  - Paper Copy
  - Statement Verifying Identity of Above Copies
7.  Preliminary Amendment
8.  Assignment Papers (Cover Sheet & Document(s))
9.  English Translation of
10.  Information Disclosure Statement
11.  Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)
12.  Return Receipt Postcard
13.  Other: Application Data Sheet  
Unexecuted Declaration  
Claim of Priority

The right to elect an invention or species that is different from that elected in parent Application No. 09/609,846 in the event of a restriction or election of species requirement that is identical or substantially similar to that made in said parent application is hereby reserved.

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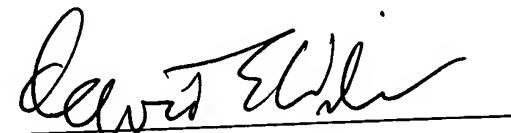
FOR: SENSOR PLATFORM, APPARATUS INCORPORATING THE  
PLATFORM, AND PROCESS USING THE PLATFORMAssistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231CLAIM OF PRIORITY UNDER 35 USC §119

Sir:

Applicants in the above-identified application hereby claim priority under the International Convention of Application No. 9915703.4, filed on July 5, 1999, and Application No. 0011420.7, filed on May 11, 2000. These applications are acknowledged in the Declaration of the instant case.

The certified copies of said applications are of record in the parent Application No. 09/609,846 filed on July 5, 2000.

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